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## Correspondence Between Jerome McCormick and Mrs. McCormick (Mother) 1968

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Strandhotel Seeröse  
Zuschal / See.  
Salzburg.

Wednesday,

Dear Mom,

Had a letter from Dave to-day.  
I shall be meeting him at Bamau  
not definite yet what time. So tell  
him this that he can expect me  
probably at the exhibition. If the  
letter doesn't arrive at Cobh until  
Mon 16th. then you needn't bother to  
do anything as he will be in  
Germany by then. Anyway I shall  
leave (or send) a message for him  
at the airport on his arrival.

So my news is that I have  
secured employment as a chef at  
the Hotel Bellevue in Vienna. It's  
a pleasant restaurant on the out-  
skirts of the city in the wine  
making area. The hotel had an  
excursion to Vienna yesterday and



3/ I tagged along. To my great surprise  
we had an Irish couple (honeymoon)  
on the bus. The singing on the  
way back was very spirited and  
enjoyed by all the passengers  
(I don't think). The work office in  
Vienna was closed for the day when  
I arrived, but through the luck of the  
Irish I was allowed in. This was  
after getting two letters from them  
saying there was no work for  
foreigners. After a dozen phone calls  
they eventually found a suitable  
employer. Someone must have been  
praying for me. Then I rang the  
Irish Embassy (most helpful), they say  
I should contact the Irish Club in  
Vienna which has many Irish  
members in the hotel industry, -  
some useful contacts I hope. I start  
at the Bellevue ~~at~~ on Sept 25th. Wed.



ADDRESS FROM THEN ON WILL BE.

MR J. McCORMICK

PERSONAL.

HOTEL BELLEVUE

HIMMELGASSE

1050 WIEN.

Shall be leaving here for Munich  
any day. There I hope to get information  
on Rte. From there I go to Widen  
near Dave's stopping place. Hope you  
can send me on the necessary gear  
asked for. If not have a parcel made  
up and sent to Vienna, anyway from  
Barnau my route will be Passau  
and by steamer or barge to Vienna  
a few hundred miles, on the Danube.  
Of course I shall be cooking for  
myself all the time and using the  
Youth Hostels which are really excellent  
in this part of the world.

Had a letter also from Roz to-day  
in good form. Very good newspaper  
articles, tell her - more please.



Vienna is a very old city, slowly  
dying I think. We had a great time  
there yesterday. I shall be living in  
in the hotel, and am looking forward  
to visiting the city and getting a  
proper look. When I was passing  
the Sacher Hotel yesterday (one of the  
most famous Hotels in the world). I  
nipped in and asked for the menu.  
It was a great surprise to see  
Irish Stew featured at about 1/6 a  
portion, quite reasonable.

So that's all for now. if you  
must write, please address letter  
[American Express Co. - Wien Austria]  
that's for before I get to The Bellevue.  
By the way don't forget the month-  
organ and the book. That's all for now  
Zero.

Strandhotel Seerose  
Fuchal o/ See.  
Salzburg.  
Austria.  
Thursday.

Dear Mum,

Glad to get your letter last week. Since yesterday was my free day. I waited till today to write. The weather has improved very much over the last few days. Yesterday was sweltering, and we are in for a few weeks of hot weather. Swimming every day. Enclosed is a photo of the Salt mines which I visited yesterday. You descend by sliding down a sort of banister



shute, 7 times in all (PHOTO) and  
each one a 100 yds or so. The  
spin from the hotel was free, but  
it cost about 10/- by the time the  
morning was over, 4/- for the  
chair lift etc. etc. I spent the  
afternoon in Salzburg, visiting all the  
posh restaurants and buying  
menus from them. The film of Edna  
O'Briens book is here in Salzburg  
starring Cyril Cusack. Fuchal is  
now packed with tourists. There is  
really nothing to do but sit  
around all day.

The Lavisfaller journey  
was o.k. I changed over to 1st  
class as soon as I got aboard.

you should have seen the 2nd  
class crowd, a real immigrant  
ship. Next morning the train  
journey to London was terrible.  
The heaters were on full blast  
and we were suffocating, no buffet  
either. The journey from London on  
was very pleasant. But £1 for a  
breakfast on the train in Germany  
consisting of jam coffee, juice  
and bread, was a bit too much.  
I stayed the night in Salzburg  
and rang Seeröer next day. I  
started work the following  
morning. It was raining so much  
that day in Salzburg that I had  
to buy an umbrella for about 3d-



Tachal is covered in snow in winter its hard to believe. But business is not so bush I believe. I am writing while sitting on a rock, so the writing aint so good.

The Hotel has its own laundry all gear is done there, also personal clothing, pee. You also has 3 or 4 pension houses in the village. So between the whole lot is like a minature hotel company. The postman is very busy here in Summer. All the officials wear very colour ful uniforms. But American culture is everywhere, clothes, pop music, and magazines. Please hand on letter to Dad for me. Love. ger me.